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## NEW COUNCIL ASSUMES CONTROL

Mayor Appeals in his Inaugural Address for Law and Order and good business government.

## Officers Appointed And Salaries Fixed.

Police force Selected Meets general Approval—Standing Committees Judiciously Selected.

The new city council met Monday night immediately after adjournment of the old council, and organized.

Mayor I. M. Kelley opened the session with a long inaugural address, in which he dwelt strongly upon law and order, the improvement of the streets, the duties of the police officers, the closing of saloons on Sunday, the intention to suppress gambling and an admonition in general against resorts of bad repute.

Standing committees were announced by the mayor, as follows:

Finance—F. R. Moore, chairman; J. W. Williams and W. H. Lewis.

Street—F. B. Haymaker, chairman; A. S. Long and F. R. Moore.

Light—G. W. Shuttlesworth, chairman; A. S. Long and P. J. Keenan.

Appeals—W. S. Siers, chairman; W. H. Lewis, J. F. Kearns.

Ordinance—Mayor Kelley, chairman; Clerk Shields and J. F. Kearns.

Water—P. J. Keenan, chairman; J. W. Williams and F. R. Moore.

Fire—J. O. Martin, chairman; A. S. Long and P. J. Keenan.

A petition signed by a number of citizens praying that the mayor's salary be raised to \$50 a month was read. A motion to fix it at that figure was defeated by a vote of 5 to 4. Haymaker, Moore, Williams and Lewis voting in the affirmative, and Keenan, Shuttlesworth, Martin, Siers and Long voting against it. The mayor's salary was then fixed at \$30 a month, and the salaries of all other officers were made the same as last year.

L. C. Crile, W. Scott and C. W. Moore were applicants for the office of city attorney. The vote stood, 7 for Moore and 2 for Scott. Moore was declared appointed.

Drs. E. N. Flowers, D. P. Morgan, N. Pock and M. J. Bartlett were presented for health officer. Flowers received 6 votes and Bartlett 3. Flowers was duly declared health officer for the ensuing year.

C. O. Findlay and D. D. Britt applied for the office of city surveyor. Britt received the entire vote and was, therefore, appointed.

John Higginbotham, colored, was the winner in the contest for janitor, receiving 5 votes. James Dunkley received 2 and Howard Wilkes 2. Other applicants for this place were Charles Onks, Geo. Wilson and Robert Brent.

E. W. P. Waldeck and Elmer P. Coffman were appointed by acclamation for the offices of water works engineer and assistant engineer respectively.

Upon motion it was decided to appoint six policemen. Applications of J. M. Kester, W. H. Hoff, J. T. Boggs, Wm. Burke, Jr., Larkin Green, William Hutchinson, J. L. Cunningham, Andrew Lyon, William Myers, Geo. W. Crawford, B. D. Cox, John Howe, Henry Lewis, James Elliott and J. A. McCloud were read. Howe and Lyon each received 9 votes; Hoff and Lewis, 8 each; George Isenhardt and Boggs, 7 each; Burke, 1; Crawford, 1; Hutchinson, 1; Cox 1; and Kester, 1. Hoff, Boggs, Isenhardt, Lewis, Howe and Lyon were declared the policemen for the ensuing year.

The council then adjourned to meet in regular session this Friday night.

## Short Line Policeman.

Governor A. B. White has signed the commission of F. J. Ewing as a police officer on the West Virginia Short Line railroad. Mr. Ewing was formerly a police officer at Sistersville and is said to be well qualified for the position.

## Knight Templar Degree Conferred.

Clarksburg Commandery No. 13, Knights Templar, held a special meeting Tuesday night for inspection and the conferring of the degree of Knight Templar upon Hon. C. W. Lynch, John B. Smith, M. B. Curkendall and J. T. Lowndes, Jr. The inspection was made by Grand Captain General S. Vandervort, of Weston. Quite a number of visiting knights from neighboring towns were present. After the ceremonies an elaborate banquet was held at the Manhattan Cafe.

## Enticed Into a Den By Ruse Well Played

Inside the Usual Trick Dice game is worked in the same old way.

G. B. Flint, residing near Salem, was induced into the Gans saloon in Glen Elk last Friday by some professionals upon the information that they had advertising matter they wished to hire him to take to Salem for them. Inside he ran up against the usual dice game, so we are informed, and won \$10, but he threw the money down, told them to go to thunder with it and attempted to leave the building by the front way. They tried to induce him to go out of the rear door, but he went the other way. Tuesday they roped Carr Darnold, of Miletus, on the pretext that they had some books to show him. He entered but was too wary to try the game. The same day, as the afternoon accommodation pulled out to the west, a stranger was seen to rush out of the place very excitedly with both pants pockets turned inside out. It is believed he got well fleeced. The matter was reported to the police but their efforts to find the thieves resulted in failure.

## Short Line Proves Beneficial.

That the Short Line railroad would prove anything but a benefit to this town never suggested itself to but a few of our citizens and the first few weeks' results bid fair to remove even their misgivings. Not a train from the interior but brings car loads of people to Wetzel's metropolis, and ask the result—ask hotels, merchants, bankers, business men in any line. One evening this week three full passenger cars of people left for their homes after spending the day here. Nearly every passenger had made some purchase while here and every tradesman was benefitted thereby. Wetzel Republican at New Martinsville.

## Funeral of Miss Flossie Dawson.

The funeral of Miss Flossie Dawson, whose death occurred at Wilsonburg, Thursday evening of last week, took place Saturday morning and interment was made in the I. O. O. F. cemetery here at 10:30 o'clock. Rev. A. D. Garrett officiated. Relatives away from here attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. James Grubb, of Grafton; Mrs. C. B. Pugh, Mrs. Minerva Dawson, Mrs. John T. Dawson, N. C. Dawson, James Hunter and M. W. Dawson, of Rowlesburg. The floral tributes were many and beautiful.

## Through Trains on W. Va. & Pitts.

The B. & O. time schedule will be changed May 12 or 19. It is stated that through trains are to be run between Fairmont and Richmond in Braxton county, one leaving Fairmont in the morning and another leaving Richmond about the same hour. Such service will prove beneficial to the interior counties.

## Brooks Will Open a Store.

Charles E. Brooks returned the last of last week from several months residence in Buffalo, N. Y., where he has been engaged in the mercantile business. Mr. Brooks is so taken with the vast strides Clarksburg made during his absence that he has decided to stay here, and will occupy the store room on the corner of Main and Monticello streets with a clean, bright, fresh stock of groceries and provisions in a few days.

## Ready to Begin on Glass Factory.

The Clarksburg Co-operative Glass Company is getting things in shape to begin work on its factory at Adams-ton. The matter of a switch track has been definitely settled and work will begin at once on the factory. Mr. Devaughn, of Indiana, is expected here in a few days to superintend the work.

## The Elks 'Smoker' Enjoyable.

The members of the Elks club are a convivial set and their hospitality knows no bounds. They have a host of friends who are always delighted to hear that a "smoker" is on tap and studiously aim to attend. These occasions are quite frequent with the club, and its members find much pleasure in entertaining their visitors. The "smoker" given Tuesday night was no exception to the rule, and was an event the many present will pleasantly remember. Refreshments were served and music furnished. The evening passed quite too quickly.

W. E. Beeghly, of Lightburn, went to Baltimore Sunday to take hospital treatment for defective hearing. His brother Lloyd accompanied him. Weston Independent.

Bicycle tires bought at Neff's put on free of charge. 24-tf

## The Old Council Adjourns Sine Die

Closing Orders of the Body that has joined its Fathers.

The old council held its final meeting Monday night and after winding up its affairs stepped down and out.

The saloon license of Sherman Law was transferred to James J. Connell. Upon recommendation of the appeals committee A. H. Stotler was exonerated from taxes on a lot assessed at \$1,000; the valuation of the Palace Furniture Company property was reduced from \$5,000 to \$1,800; and a \$700 lot assessed against J. A. Alexander was dropped.

The finance committee was instructed to prepare and have published the annual financial statement of the city.

The following resolutions were passed:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite power to remove from us Mr. Phillip J. Ernst, a member of the city council. Therefore be it

Resolved, That in Mr. Ernst's death we have lost one who was always found at his post of duty and ready and willing at all times to lend his energies to the best interests of the city.

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread on the minute book of this body, and a copy of same be sent to the family of the deceased to whom we extend our deepest sympathy.

Bills were ordered paid as follows:

J. M. Wine	\$130 75
Howard Wilkes	2 75
J. A. McCloud	18 00
James F. Elliott	18 00
M. J. Bartlett	3 00
L. H. Reger	5 25
County Mall	5 75
Mt. State Gas Company	9 00
Electric Light Company	272 99
Gas Company	1 50
Williams & Davisson Co.	24 36
Stout-Johnson Lumber Co.	19 62
Aaron Wilson	1 00
B. W. Lee	10 00
Street pay roll	68 73
Water works pay roll	9 00
W. E. Tate	334 98
Loudin & Wilkinson	6 35
J. L. Cunningham	4 50

## Maxwell And Jarvis

### Purchase Fine Coal.

They Now Own One Thousand Acres Just South of the city.

Hugh Jarvis and W. Brent Maxwell have purchased the coal under the farms of Mrs. Mary C. Goodwin, A. S. Nutter and Sidney Raymond and A. S. Stout aggregating 645 acres. The price paid was right at \$100 an acre and was purchased for speculative purposes. These gentlemen already owned 345 acres and the purchase gives them a handsome 1,000 acre tract just one mile south of the city and convenient to the railroad. The coal is of splendid quality and will doubtless meet with ready sale.

## Petitions Against Certain Saloons.

Petitions are being circulated and extensively signed praying the city council not to grant license for saloons within two hundred yards of a school building or a church, and will be presented at this Friday night's meeting of council. The special object of attack, it is stated, is the saloon in the Mulheran property. Efforts may also be made to close the colored saloon.

## Bids all in for Storage House.

All bids have been received for the erection of the L. Hoster Brewing Company's storage house here and sent to headquarters at Columbus, Ohio, for the awarding of the contract. Work will begin as soon as possible and the building will be pushed rapidly to completion. It will be a one story frame 35 feet by 109 feet. Fine offices will be in the front of the building and all the rear will be used for storage purposes.

## Naval Recruits Pass Through.

Baltimore & Ohio train No. 12 last Sunday evening carried two car loads of naval recruits. There were about 60 in the party, mostly boys, and all were from Kansas city. They were enroute to the Brooklyn navy yard.

R. C. Osburn, manager of the printing paper department of Garrett-Buchanan Company, paper manufacturers, of Philadelphia, was in the city Tuesday looking after the trade and visiting old home friends. Mr. Osburn is one of the very clever newspaper salesmen who visit Clarksburg and has made a record, of which his native city is proud. Mrs. Osburn, who has been visiting relatives here several weeks, returned to Philadelphia with Mr. Osburn Tuesday night.

## DR. SCOTT'S ANTICS AND HIS MEDICINE

Arouse the Suspicion of the Jailor and other County Officials to such an extent that they are cautious.

## Jail Breaking Or Suicide Suspected.

The Doctor's wife Carried the Mysterious Compound to him but was Intercepted.—Circumstances very queer.

Dr. Scott alias Harry Murphy, who was sent to jail last week for short-changing Charles Stotler, has the jailer and other county authorities guessing. His actions are very queer and they regard him a dangerous prisoner. The Doctor broke out of the Berryville jail by making a key out of tin and lead, and the jailer is taking great pains to prevent a repetition of this handiwork. The next morning after Scott was incarcerated he asked the jailer for a can of tomatoes. He was informed that he could have the tomatoes but not the can. This information spoiled his appetite for tomatoes.

Tuesday Scott's wife took some morphine to the jail for her husband. As he is said to be addicted to the morphine habit, he was permitted to receive the morphine. That afternoon she undertook to give him a compound of which the officers were suspicious. The circumstances were queer. The mixture purported to have been compounded or prescribed by Dr. Purdy, a gentleman not known in these parts, and a vial and printed directions accompanied the bottle of medicine. The mixture was intercepted by an officer and examined by a physician. It was surmised, the stuff was intended for use on the lock or an iron bar of the cell, but no acid or substance was discovered in it, which would corrode iron. Then it was thought the medicine was for suicidal intent, but nothing was found in it to warrant that suspicion.

The printed directions for using were, as follows:

"Take three doses in 24 hours, as follows: The first at 6 or 7 a. m., preferably one hour before arising, the second seven hours later, or at 1 or 2 p. m., and the third seven hours after the second, or at 8 or 9 p. m."

"Measure the dose in the glass sent with medicine, filling it to the scratch thereon for one dose. Shake bottle well each time before pouring out."

"Commence the treatment in the morning, having taken the usual amount of the drug the day before."

"While taking the sample use no liquor, cocaine, chloral, bromides, or like drugs, no opium, morphine, laudanum, or any preparation or opium."

"This medicine must be used only by the one for whom it has been specially prepared."

"Please acknowledge receipt of this sample and report upon its use."

Druggists pronounce it a patent medicine morphine cure.

## Mrs. Bland's Will.

The will of Mrs. Columbia M. Bland has been filed for probate. The Harrison county farm and the city lot and residence were bequeathed to her son, J. J. Duncan, as well as \$1,000, which is to be a lien on Meigs Island in the Ohio river until paid by Meigs Bland. Meigs Island is divided equally between her sons, W. T. and Meigs Bland, the latter's to be held in trust for him by W. T. Bland. The proceeds of sale of the Town Run farm are divided equally between W. T. and Meigs Bland. Maud Duncan, Collie Duncan, Gay Duncan, Bertha H. Bland, Lottie H. Bland, J. J. Duncan, Meigs Bland and W. T. Bland are bequeathed valuable heirlooms. The remainder of the personal estate and moneys is divided equally between W. T. and Meigs Bland. At the death of Meigs Bland what remains of his share of the estate is to go to her grandson, William J. Bland.

The program of the operetta and Japanese concert to be given at the Grand opera house this Thursday night by the public school is quite elaborate. The entertainment will be under the personal direction of Miss Columbia M. Duncan. Special scenery has been arranged.

Already several lots have been sold in the Harmer-Dye addition and others will be bought before the lot sale May 1.

Well, if you can't buy a high priced lot in Clarksburg, you can get one in the Harmer-Dye addition thereto, at a reasonable price and on very easy terms. 23td

## Short Line Wreck One Man Injured

Rear End Collision Near Smithfield Last Saturday night.

The Short Line railroad had its first wreck last Saturday night. It occurred near Smithfield, and was a rear-end collision between two construction trains. The trains were running closely together. The front one checked its speed and the engine of the rear train crashed into the caboose of the train in front, throwing it from the track and upsetting it. Several men were in the caboose, but all except brakeman George L. Cook, of Marietta, escaped injury. Cook received an ugly gash in his head. He was knocked unconscious and it was believed he was dead but he revived and was taken to a Parkersburg hospital for treatment.

## One of The Governor's Boards.

Governor White has appointed Mrs. Geo. F. Coyle, of Charleston, member of the West Virginia Humane Society board; Mrs. Dr. G. A. Aschmond, of Romney; W. H. Deem, Ripley; and A. C. Finley, Harding, members of the board of directors of the school for deaf and blind. Charles E. Maddox, of Cairo, was formally appointed warden of the penitentiary. All have accepted the places tendered.

## Dr. Fullerton's Lecture.

Rev. Dr. Fullerton will lecture in Goff Chapel Thursday night, April 25, having for his subject, "Victoria Queen and Empress." The lecture will be given under the auspices of the Epworth League. Admission 10 cents. Dr. Fullerton is a very interesting, entertaining speaker and should command a large audience.

## Good Architecture.

Messrs. Holmboe & Lafferty, the new firm of architects with offices in the Leggett building, who recently located here, will introduce themselves to those contemplating building, with a series of writings on good architecture. Comparatively few people can afford to experiment in the erection of buildings—it is too expensive.

To erect buildings which are poorly lighted, unattractive in appearance, and otherwise defective, costs fully as much as to erect those which are wholly free from errors of design and construction.

To erect a residence which is unwisely planned, inconvenient within and commonplace without, requires fully as large an outlay of money as to erect one which is characterized in every detail, by truest art, the most skillful arrangement and the most painstaking care.

Obviously, then, since the cost of good and bad architecture is the same, prospective builders should consult an architect of proven ability and experience—not one whose work will involve costly experiments or subsequent alterations to correct defects.

## Handsome Souvenir Edition.

E. W. Lawson, Esq., of Stella, Nebraska, has sent the Telegram a copy of the souvenir edition of the Stella, Neb. Press, which, from the numerous pictorial features and biographical sketches, as well as the mechanical and editorial characteristics, shows an unusual degree of enterprise and ability on the part of the editors, and portrays that town as a hustling place. Mr. Lawson is a native of Harrison county and went to Nebraska in 1885. The edition contains a splendid likeness of him, and a biographical sketch. He is engaged in the lumber business at present, but was assistant cashier of the state bank three years.

## JURY HAS RANDOLPH CASE.

Verdict will not be Rendered until after Ten O'Clock this Morning.

Ray Randolph, of Salem, was tried this week in federal court upon the charge of tampering with the mails while employed as a postal clerk on the West Virginia & Pittsburg railroad, the particular instance occurring September 1, 1899, at which time it is claimed, a decoy letter was sent from the Clarksburg postoffice to Randolph's car at the depot by Postoffice Inspectors Allen and Hooten. The letter was addressed to Sears, Roebuck & Co., of Chicago, and contained \$8 in currency. Before the car left, Hooten and Allen entered the car and found that some one had attempted to break the seal of the letter with a lead pencil. Two other clerks besides Randolph had been in the car that morning. The case was given to the jury at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon. At the close of the day the jury had not agreed and the court adjourned until 10 o'clock this Friday morning.

## Crushed To Death In a Coal Mine.

John Pilcher Received Fatal Injuries While Employed in Briar Hill Mine.

John Pilcher, aged 27 years and single, received fatal injuries at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning in Briar Hill mine No. 1 at Farnum, by a heavy fall of slate. His collar bone and two ribs were broken and internal injuries were sustained. He died at 4:45 o'clock that afternoon. Interment was made at Hepzibah cemetery Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Pilcher had been employed at Farnum twelve years and was the only support of a widowed mother. He was a very excellent, sturdy young man and his employers held him in high esteem. He and his mother formerly resided in this city.

## OIL WELL SUPPLY FACTORY HERE.

Will Be Built at Pinnickinnick by Pennsylvania Parties.

A gentleman named Benson representing Pennsylvania parties is here negotiating a deal with Col. T. Moore Jackson for a site for an oil well supply factory. Negotiations are practically closed for a site of between one and two acres east of the Hornor-Gaylord Wholesale Company's establishment east of the city. The proposed factory will manufacture all kinds of wood supplies used in the drilling of oil wells and will give employment to 30 men at the start. They hope to have it in operation within sixty days.

## Won the Championship.

F. H. Yost, the noted football coach, is here from the west to visit his brother, E. A. Yost. Mr. Yost won the Pacific coast championship as coach for Leland-Stanford university in California the past season, adding fresh laurels to a crown, whose brilliancy has attracted national attention. He spent ten days at Ann Arbor, Michigan, before coming here and the university of Michigan at that place has engaged him for next year at a salary of about \$3,600.

## Small Freight Wreck On Monon Division

Rails Spread and Three cars were Derailed near Farnum.

A small freight wreck occurred on the Monon division of the B. & O. railroad just south of Farnum at 5 o'clock Wednesday morning. The rails spread and three cars on No. 11 freight train going north were derailed. No one was injured. Passengers and baggage on all trains during the day had to be transferred.

## Fined for Jumping a Freight Train.

George Santa and Mike Wanage, coal miners, were arrested at the depot Tuesday for attempting to ride on a B. & O. freight train. Squire Riley fined each \$5 and costs Tuesday night, and in default of payment sent them to jail for fifteen days. Both are of foreign nationality.

## New Supervisor of Monon Division.

Mr. T. McCune, of Pennsylvania, has been given the position of supervisor of the Monon division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, which place has been temporarily filled for several months past by C. J. Linn, of Fairmont. The new supervisor has entered upon his duties.

## With Lawton when Killed.

Sergeant Daniel Gump, son of Marion Gump, of Adamston, arrived home Friday from the Philippines. Mr. Gump served in Company B, 25th regiment, and was in a number of exciting battles. He was in the engagement in which General Lawton was killed. Mr. Gump was shot in the side in one of the battles and dropped in the river. The captain of his company rescued him from the water.

## New Wholesale House Begun.

The grading has begun for the Buhl, Koblegard Company's big new wholesale grocery building in Glen Elk between the big dry goods building and the Standard flouring mill. The building will be a four story brick, not including the basement, with dimensions of 100 by 126 feet, costing \$25,000 or more.

## Marriage Licenses.

Bert Lemley and Lizzie Yost. Luther J. Zirkle and Pearl Rogers.

Ringling Brothers' Circus will exhibit at Fairmont Friday, May 3.